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MEMORANDUM FOR MAJOR SHARED RESOURCE CENTER DIRECTORS
DISTRIBUTUED CENTER DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: Automated Data Processing (ADP) Designations per DoD 5200.2-R for Unclassified
High Performance Computing Modernization Program (HPCMP) Shared Resources

The HPCMP in accordance with DoD 5220.2-R, Personnel Security Program January 1987, and its HPCMP Shared Resource Centers (SRC) must designate ADP-I, ADP-II and ADP-III personnel based on the following categories described in Appendix K:

a. Critical-Sensitive Positions.

ADP-I positions. Those positions in which the incumbent is responsible for the planning, direction, and implementation of a computer security program; major responsibility for the direction, planning and design of a computer system, including the hardware and software, or can access a system during the operation or maintenance in such a way, and with a relatively high risk for causing grave damage, or realize a significant personal gain.

b. Non-Critical-Sensitive Positions.

ADP-II positions. Those positions in which the incumbent is responsible for the-direction, planning, design, operation, or maintenance of a computer system, and whose work is technically reviewed by a higher authority of the ADP-I category to insure the integrity of the system.

4. Non-Sensitive Positions

ADP-III positions. All other positions involved in computer activities. In establishing the categories of positions, other factors may enter into the determination, permitting placement in higher or lower categories based on the agency's judgment as to the unique characteristics of the system or the safeguards protecting the system.

As the HPCMP Designated Approving Authority (DAA), I have interpreted DoD 5200.2-R requirements as follows:

(1) Critical-Sensitive ADP-I Positions. This designation requires a Top Secret Clearance, and shall be either the SRC Director, or the SRC Director's DAA who is in the SRC Director's direct chain of command.
(2) Non-Critical –Sensitive ADP-II Positions. This designation requires a Secret Clearance and applies to all system and network administrators for HPCMP Shared Resources, or anyone having "root" or "privileged" access on any HPCMP Shared Resources.
(3) Non-Sensitive ADP-III Positions. This designation requires a Secret Clearance or NAC, and applies to anyone else accessing unclassified HPCMP Shared Resources not identified above, i.e. users.

It is important to ensure that your SRC is operating in accordance with DoD 5200.2-R. Accordingly, by COB 30 April 2001, I request that the ADP-I designate for your SRC be identified to this office. Please also ensure that all ADP-II personnel have the appropriate clearance/background check. If they do not, take immediate action to ensure that the ADP-II requirements are met. All ADP-III designations should already be covered by the Uniform Use-Access Policy for Unclassified DoD High Performance Computing Modernization Program Resources of 20 April 1999 for unclassified access.

Exceptions, if necessary, may be granted on a case-by-case basis with sufficient supporting justification. Upon receiving sufficient supporting justification, as the HPCMP DAA and ADP-I for the HPCMP, I may designate ADP-I and/or ADP-II personnel for your SRC.

Point of Contacts (PoCs) for this action will be Mr. Joe Molnar, molnar@hpcmo.hpc.mil, and Mr. Doug Butler, dbutler@hpmco.hpc.mil, 703-812-8205.

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